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DECLARATION AND PETITION

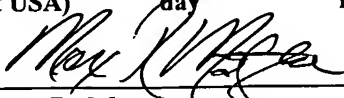
As a below named inventor, I hereby declare: that my residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that I verily believe I am the original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled HYPOALLERGENIC METAL AMINO ACID CHELATES AND METAL AMINO ACID CHELATE-CONTAINING COMPOSITONS, the specification of which was filed on 4/21/2004 as THORPE NORTH & WESTERN, LLP Docket No. 22306, and given U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/828,827; that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above; and that I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in § 1.56(a) of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Wherefore, I pray that Letters Patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims, declaration, and this petition.

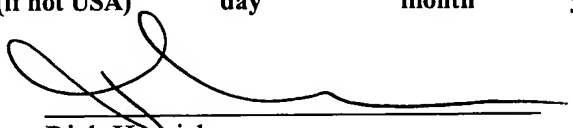
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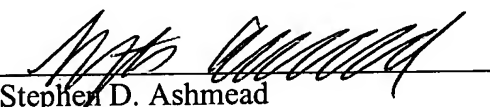

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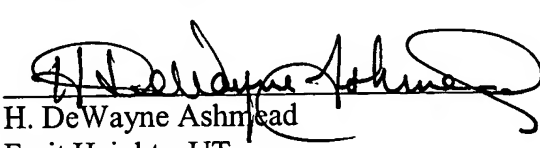
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